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Burt Kulesza
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Re: Final Environmental Impact
Statement for Management of
the High Uintas Wilderness

Dear Mr. Kulesza:

In accordance with our responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the Region VIII office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the referenced project.

We understand that the Preferred Alternative is essentially Alternative 1, as presented in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), with some clarification.

The EPA appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the referenced document. Our review has not identified any potential environmental impacts requiring substantive changes regarding implementation of the Preferred Alternative. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Hammer of my staff at (303) 312-6563.

Sincerely,

Carol L. Campbell

Carol L. Campbell, Director
Ecosystem Protection Program

cc: Elaine Suriano, OAF EPA-HQ



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